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C O N F I D E N T I A L TRIPOLI 1470

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN, XF, LY

SUBJECT: KLM HIJACKING

REF: TRIPOLI 1469

1. HAVE LEARNED FROM NETHERLANDS EMBASSY THAT NEGOTIATIONS UNDER WAY FOR RELEASE OF PLANE AND PASSENGERS. HIJACKERS DEMANDED OFFICIAL DUTCH STATEMENT THAT A) THERE NO CAMP IN HOLLAND FOR PROCESSING MILITARY VOLUNTEERS FOR ISRAEL; B) THERE NO OFFICIAL DUTCH MILITARY AID TO ISRAEL, AND C) KLM STOP ITS ASSISTANCE TO ISRAEL. NETHERLANDS CHARGE GAVE ASSURANCES ON THE SPOT AT AIRPORT ON ALL THREE POINTS, BUT HIJACKERS INSIST ON STATEMENT FROM THE HAGUE BY PRIMIN OR FONMIN. NETHERLANDS EMBASSY EXPECTING BROADCAST OF SUCH A STATEMENT MOMENTARILY.

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2. NETHERLANDS EMBASSY STATED OVER PHONE THAT LARG

HAD TRIED TO BE HELPFUL AND MOBILIZED ARAB AMBASSADORS TO MEDIATE. EGYPTIAN CHARGE MOHSIM FAHMY AT AIRPORT AND APPARENTLY TAKING LEAD ROLE.

3. AS OF 1130 LARG RADIO HAS MAINTAINED SILENCE ON INCIDENT.

4. TIA HAS NO SPECIAL TECHNICAL FACILITIES THAT MAY BE REQUIRED FOR SERVICING 747'S. LARGEST PLANES THAT SCHEDULED THERE ARE 707'S.

5. CONSOFF REPORTS FROM AIRPORT THAT SITUATION STATIC AT PRESENT. MINISTER OF INTERIOR HUMAYDI HEADS LARG OFFICIALS ON SCENE. PASSENGERS ABOARD PLANE INCLUDE 172 JAPANESE, AND UNKNOWN NUMBERS OF SAUDIS, LEBANESE, GERMAN, BRITISH, SWEDISH AND U.S. NATIONALS. JOSIF

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